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The amendment filed 2/20/08 proposes amendments to claim 6 that do not comply with 37 CFR 1.173(b), which sets forth the manner of making amendments in reissue applications. A supplemental paper correctly amending the reissue application is required. The amendment to claim 6 appears to be intended to cancel claim 6 due to the brackets. However, it is not stated that claim 6 is to be canceled in accordance with MPEP 1453, 37 CFR 1.173(b)(2), "except that a patent claim or added claim should

be canceled by a statement canceling the claim without presentation of the text of the claim." and (D) A new claim (previously added in the reissue) should be canceled by a direction to cancel that claim. It appears that the apparently canceled claim 6 should recite language such as "Cancel claim 6." Example 3 of the cited MPEP section is noted.

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